

CLAIMS

1. Machine for the continuous production of a nonwoven, comprising a spun-bond tower (1 to 4) depositing filaments as a web onto a conveyor (6) and a device (7, 8, 11, 12) for consolidating the web, by water jets, characterized by a moisture-expressing means (15, 16) downstream, in the direction in which the web moves, of the consolidation device (7, 8, 11, 12) and by an applicator (17) for applying a product to the web downstream of the expressing means (15, 16).
2. Machine according to Claim 1, characterized in that the expressing means comprises a vacuum device (16), giving for example a vacuum of between 40 and 700 millibar and subjecting the web to a suction effect.
3. Machine according to either of Claims 1 and 2, characterized by a device (19) for drying the web downstream of the product applicator (18).
4. Machine according to one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the product applicator is a foam applicator or a lick-roll applicator.
5. Machine according to one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the applicator is a device for applying longitudinal bands.